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SUBJECT: E-1 UPDATE FROM LATE SEPTEMBER 07

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Classified By: Consul General Jake Walles, Reasons 1.4 (b) and (d).

¶1. (C) Summary: PolOffs observed September 25 that construction work continues in the E-1 area between Ma'ale Adumim and Jerusalem and has begun on external structures near the E-1 police station building. They also observed two new traffic circles, which may suggest future road system expansion, and installation of sewage and water systems for the police station. (Note: Photos e-mailed to NEA/IPA. End Note.) End Summary.

POLICE STATION NEARING COMPLETION

¶2. (C) PolOffs observed construction of a gas station and basketball court behind the police station building in E-1, the area between Jerusalem and Ma'ale Adumim, on a September 25 visit. PolOffs saw the police station interior, where doors and water fixtures have been added since PolOff's last visit, but the interior is still unfinished and cluttered with construction debris.

CONTINUED WORK ON ROADWAYS

¶3. (C) PolOffs observed continued work on the main road leading to the police station. The road is unpaved, but cement curbs have been installed about one-third of the way down the road from the police station, since PolOff's last visit. Two traffic circles have also been cleared along the road, suggesting additional roads will feed into the main road.

ONGOING WATER AND SEWAGE SYSTEM INSTALLATION

¶4. (C) Water and sewage system installation has progressed, and the pipes previously reported (see Ref A) are being laid toward the base of the hill. Cement pipes that will eventually serve as manholes protrude from the dirt every ten or fifteen meters.

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